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**IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
DALLAS DIVISION**

In re:

HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P.,¹

Reorganized Debtor.

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) Chapter 11
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) Case No. 19-34054-sgj11
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**DECLARATION OF JOHN A. MORRIS
IN SUPPORT OF REORGANIZED DEBTOR'S (A) OBJECTION TO
MOTION TO QUASH AND FOR PROTECTION [DOCKET NO. 3464] AND
(B) CROSS-MOTION TO ENFORCE SUBPOENAS AND TO COMPEL A DEPOSITION**

¹ Highland's last four digits of its taxpayer identification number are (8357). The headquarters and service address for Highland is 100 Crescent Court, Suite 1850, Dallas, TX 75201.

I, John A. Morris, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, under penalty of perjury, declare as follows:

1. I am an attorney in the law firm of Pachulski, Stang, Ziehl & Jones LLP, counsel to Highland Capital Management, L.P., the reorganized debtor in the above-referenced bankruptcy case (“Highland”), and I submit this Declaration in support of the *Reorganized Debtor’s (A) Objection to Motion to Quash and for Protection [Docket No. 3464] and (B) Cross-Motion to Enforce Subpoenas and to Compel a Deposition*. Unless stated otherwise, this Declaration is based on my personal knowledge and review of the documents listed below.

2. Attached as **Exhibit 1** is a true and correct copy of an e-mail from counsel for NexPoint Real Estate Partners, LLC f/k/a HCRE Partners, LLC (“HCRE”) to me dated July 8, 2022, in which HCRE’s counsel agreed to accept service of subpoenas on behalf of James Dondero (“Mr. Dondero”) and Matt McGraner (“Mr. McGraner”).

3. Attached as **Exhibit 2** are true and correct copies of e-mails exchanged between HCRE’s counsel and me during the period August 9-10, 2022, concerning HCRE’s late production of more than 4,000 pages of documents.

4. Attached as **Exhibit 3** are true and correct copies of e-mails exchanged between HCRE’s counsel and me on August 12, 2022, concerning HCRE’s stated intention to withdraw its proof of claim.

5. Attached as **Exhibit 4** are true and correct copies of e-mails I sent to HCRE’s counsel during the period August 16-17, 2022, concerning certain subpoenas and a deposition notice in which I offered to make scheduling accommodations and sought confirmation that HCRE’s counsel would accept service of the subpoenas as he had done previously.

6. Attached as **Exhibit 5** is a true and correct copy of an e-mail I sent to HCRE's counsel on July 27, 2022, in which I attached amended versions of the subpoenas which HCRE's counsel had previously accepted service (*see* Exhibit 1).

7. Attached as **Exhibit 6** are true and correct copies of e-mails exchanged between HCRE's counsel and me during the period July 26-27, 2022, which reflect our agreement concerning the fixing of deposition dates for HCRE, Mr. Dondero, and Mr. McGraner.

8. On August 15, 2022, I spoke with HCRE's counsel by phone and informed him that Highland would oppose the Motion to Withdraw. In response, HCRE's counsel informed me that neither Mr. Dondero nor Mr. McGraner nor HCRE would appear for the depositions that had consensually been scheduled for August 16 and 17, respectively.

Dated: September 2, 2022

/s/ John A. Morris
John A. Morris

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John A. Morris

From: Wade Carvell <wcarvell@legaltexas.com>
Sent: Friday, July 8, 2022 5:17 PM
To: John A. Morris
Cc: Bill Gameros; LuCretia Milam
Subject: NREP/HCMLP - Subpoenas

Mr. Morris,

We will accept service of the subpoenas for Messrs. McGraner and Donderro. Thank you.

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John A. Morris

From: John A. Morris
Sent: Wednesday, August 10, 2022 10:28 AM
To: 'Bill Gameros'; Hayley R. Winograd
Cc: Wade Carvell; LuCretia Milam
Subject: RE: HCMLP?NREP Documents

Thanks, Bill.

I am going to dial in shortly and we can deal with this after.

OK?

From: Bill Gameros [mailto:bgameros@legaltexas.com]
Sent: Wednesday, August 10, 2022 10:27 AM
To: John A. Morris <jmorris@pszjlaw.com>; Hayley R. Winograd <hwinograd@pszjlaw.com>
Cc: Wade Carvell <wcarvell@legaltexas.com>; LuCretia Milam <lmilam@legaltexas.com>; Bill Gameros <bgameros@legaltexas.com>
Subject: RE: HCMLP?NREP Documents

We can agree as follows:

1. Except for NREP 005905-006148, HCRE agrees that it shall not use any of the Documents to examine any of the Witnesses if any of them testify at any hearing or trial in this matter.
2. Highland, on the other hand, can use any of the Documents to examine any of the Witnesses if any of them testify at any hearing or trial in this matter *provided*, however, that if Highland does so and "opens the door," HCRE can then use any Documents related to the same subject matter on re-cross or re-direct (notwithstanding paragraph 1).
3. In exchange for the foregoing, Highland will waive all objections to the late production of Documents.

Please advise.

Thank you,

Bill

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From: John A. Morris <jmorris@pszilaw.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 10, 2022 9:18 AM
To: Bill Gameros <bgameros@legaltexas.com>; Hayley R. Winograd <hwinograd@pszilaw.com>
Cc: Wade Carvell <wcarvell@legaltexas.com>; LuCretia Milam <lmilam@legaltexas.com>
Subject: RE: HCMLP?NREP Documents

No, Bill.

We did our searches and produced our documents. We're not going to trial with any documents other than those that have been produced and we're not conducting new searches.

If one of these documents happens to be on our server but wasn't captured in prior searches, it doesn't become fair game now.

And I don't know how anyone would ever know anyway. What I am supposed to do, cross-check everything on our system to see if we "have it"?

Sorry.

John

From: Bill Gameros [<mailto:bgameros@legaltexas.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, August 10, 2022 10:10 AM
To: John A. Morris <jmorris@pszilaw.com>; Hayley R. Winograd <hwinograd@pszilaw.com>
Cc: Wade Carvell <wcarvell@legaltexas.com>; LuCretia Milam <lmilam@legaltexas.com>; Bill Gameros <bgameros@legaltexas.com>
Subject: RE: HCMLP?NREP Documents

We can agree as follows:

1. To the extent that Highland does not otherwise already have the documents at issue, HCRE agrees that it shall not use any of the Documents to examine any of the Witnesses if any of them testify at any hearing or trial in this matter.
2. Highland, on the other hand, can use any of the Documents to examine any of the Witnesses if any of them testify at any hearing or trial in this matter *provided*, however, that if Highland does so and "opens the door," HCRE can then use any Documents related to the same subject matter on re-cross or re-direct (notwithstanding paragraph 1).
3. In exchange for the foregoing, Highland will waive all objections to the late production of Documents.

Please advise.

Thank you,

Bill

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Sent: Wednesday, August 10, 2022 9:00 AM
To: Bill Gameros <bgameros@legaltexas.com>; Hayley R. Winograd <hwinograd@pszilaw.com>
Cc: Wade Carvell <wcarvell@legaltexas.com>; LuCretia Milam <lmilam@legaltexas.com>
Subject: RE: HCMLP?NREP Documents

Thanks, Bill.

John

From: Bill Gameros [mailto:bgameros@legaltexas.com]
Sent: Wednesday, August 10, 2022 9:58 AM
To: John A. Morris <jmorris@pszilaw.com>; Hayley R. Winograd <hwinograd@pszilaw.com>
Cc: Wade Carvell <wcarvell@legaltexas.com>; LuCretia Milam <lmilam@legaltexas.com>; Bill Gameros <bgameros@legaltexas.com>
Subject: RE: HCMLP?NREP Documents

I have forward this proposal to my client.

Thank you,

Bill

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From: John A. Morris <jmorris@pszilaw.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 10, 2022 8:37 AM
To: Bill Gameros <bgameros@legaltexas.com>; Hayley R. Winograd <hwinograd@pszilaw.com>
Cc: Wade Carvell <wcarvell@legaltexas.com>; LuCretia Milam <lmilam@legaltexas.com>
Subject: RE: HCMLP?NREP Documents

Bill,

If time permits, please call me to discuss this issue before today's deposition and after considering the following proposal.

Background

As you know, HCRE produced over 4,000 documents (the "Documents") late yesterday afternoon, with no prior notice (other than that HCRE might have a "supplemental" production), about six weeks after the deadline.

Prejudice

HCMLP has been prejudiced by the late production of Documents because we have already taken the depositions of three third-party witnesses (Mark Patrick, BH Equities, and Barker Viggato, together, the "Third Parties"), and had prepared Mr. Seery (together with the Third Parties, the "Witnesses") for his deposition today.

It be unfair to expect Highland to serve new subpoenas and re-question the Third Parties, or delay Mr. Seery's deposition at the last moment or call him back for further questioning due to HCRE's late production of the Documents, and we doubt very much a Court would order Highland to do any of those things.

Proposal

In order to address the prejudice, and avoid motion practice, Highland proposes the following:

1. HCRE agrees that it shall not use any of the Documents to examine any of the Witnesses if any of them testify at any hearing or trial in this matter.
2. Highland, on the other hand, can use any of the Documents to examine any of the Witnesses if any of them testify at any hearing or trial in this matter *provided*, however, that if Highland does so and "opens the door," HCRE can then use any Documents related to the same subject matter on re-cross or re-direct (notwithstanding paragraph 1).
3. In exchange for the foregoing, Highland will waive all objections to the late production of Documents.

If I don't hear from you, I will make this offer as part of a "meet and confer" at the beginning of this morning's deposition.

I can be reached at 1.646.341.3686.

Regards,

John

From: Bill Gameros [<mailto:bgameros@legaltexas.com>]

Sent: Tuesday, August 9, 2022 4:25 PM

To: John A. Morris <jmorris@pszilaw.com>; Hayley R. Winograd <hwinograd@pszilaw.com>

Cc: Wade Carvell <wcarvell@legaltexas.com>; Bill Gameros <bgameros@legaltexas.com>; LuCretia Milam <lmilam@legaltexas.com>

Subject: RE: HCMLP?NREP Documents

John,

Our IT person was out with COVID after I was.

It's about 700 emails. NREP 005905-006148 were available this week. The rest were not and have not been provided to Mr. Pully.

Thank you,

Bill

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From: John A. Morris <jmorris@pszilaw.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 9, 2022 3:21 PM
To: Wade Carvell <wcarvell@legaltexas.com>; Hayley R. Winograd <hwinograd@pszilaw.com>
Cc: Bill Gameros <bgameros@legaltexas.com>
Subject: RE: HCMLP?NREP Documents

I am stunned.

Almost six weeks after the deadline, after two third-party depositions, and hours before my client is scheduled to testify, you produce over 4,000 pages of information without notice of any kind in an action that has been pending for a year?

What do you expect us to do with this? How are we not substantially prejudiced?

Have you given any of these materials to Mr. Pully?

If so, when did you deliver them to him?

You can respond now, or we can do this on the record tomorrow at the beginning of the deposition.

HCMLP reserves all rights.

Regards,

John

From: Wade Carvell [mailto:wcarvell@legaltexas.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 9, 2022 4:09 PM
To: John A. Morris <jmorris@pszilaw.com>; Hayley R. Winograd <hwinograd@pszilaw.com>
Cc: Bill Gameros <bgameros@legaltexas.com>
Subject: HCMLP?NREP Documents

Greetings.

Below is the link to the following the following files: NREP_001184-5904.zip, and NREP_005905-006148.pdf

Link: <https://spaces.hightail.com/space/Spo8ZLrwG1>
Password: HCMLP-NREP82022
Link Expires: December 31, 2022

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EXHIBIT 3

John A. Morris

From: John A. Morris
Sent: Friday, August 12, 2022 5:37 PM
To: 'Bill Gameros'
Cc: Hayley R. Winograd; LuCretia Milam; Wade Carvell
Subject: RE: NexPoint REP Proof of Claim No. 146

Obviously, your statement doesn't make a lot of sense since just last week we negotiated an amendment to the scheduling order so that you could retain an expert. So "the interim" has to be defined in the last few days.

But I'll pass this along, Bill, and let you know next week whether Highland will oppose.

Have a good weekend.

Regards,

John

-----Original Message-----

From: Bill Gameros [mailto:bgameros@legaltexas.com]
Sent: Friday, August 12, 2022 5:22 PM
To: John A. Morris <jmorris@pszjlaw.com>
Cc: Hayley R. Winograd <hwinograd@pszjlaw.com>; LuCretia Milam <lmilam@legaltexas.com>; Wade Carvell <wcarvell@legaltexas.com>; Bill Gameros <bgameros@legaltexas.com>
Subject: RE: NexPoint REP Proof of Claim No. 146

John,

I am not sure we necessarily agree as to what you are "entitled to," but NREP filed the Claim long before the Plan was filed or confirmed, things have changed in the interim, and the LLC has operated without the interference that had been anticipated at the time the Claim was filed (at the deadline). Given that, and the uncertainty and costs of pursuing the Claim for another three months, NREP has decided to withdraw the Proof of Claim.

Because we need to do so with a motion, we are asking if you object to withdrawing the claim.

Thank you,

Bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: John A. Morris <jmorris@pszjlaw.com>
Sent: Friday, August 12, 2022 4:04 PM
To: Bill Gameros <bgameros@legaltexas.com>

Cc: Hayley R. Winograd <hwinograd@pszjlaw.com>; LuCretia Milam <lmilam@legaltexas.com>; Wade Carvell <wcarvell@legaltexas.com>

Subject: RE: NexPoint REP Proof of Claim No. 146

But why, Bill?

What has happened that caused your client to decide not to pursue a claim that it has forced the estate to spend a substantial sum of money over an 12-month period?

We've gone through two rounds of discovery, multiple depositions and -- of course -- an entire disqualification motion with Wick Phillips.

We're entitled to a substantive explanation.

Will one be forthcoming?

John

-----Original Message-----

From: Bill Gameros [mailto:bgameros@legaltexas.com]

Sent: Friday, August 12, 2022 4:54 PM

To: John A. Morris <jmorris@pszjlaw.com>

Cc: Hayley R. Winograd <hwinograd@pszjlaw.com>; LuCretia Milam <lmilam@legaltexas.com>; Wade Carvell <wcarvell@legaltexas.com>; Bill Gameros <bgameros@legaltexas.com>

Subject: RE: NexPoint REP Proof of Claim No. 146

John,

We understand.

The client does not want to pursue the claim any further.

Please let us know.

Thank you,

Bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: John A. Morris <jmorris@pszjlaw.com>

Sent: Friday, August 12, 2022 3:46 PM

To: Bill Gameros <bgameros@legaltexas.com>

Cc: Hayley R. Winograd <hwinograd@pszjlaw.com>; LuCretia Milam <lmilam@legaltexas.com>; Wade Carvell <wcarvell@legaltexas.com>

Subject: Re: NexPoint REP Proof of Claim No. 146

We will confer with our client and get back to you, although not likely today.

Given the timing, we are not extending further the time to file an expert report.

So I can explain to my client, why is HCRE doing this now?

John

Sent from my iPhone

On Aug 12, 2022, at 4:42 PM, Bill Gameros <bgameros@legaltexas.com> wrote:

John,

We are going to file a motion to withdraw Proof of Claim No. 146 For purposes of conference, does your client oppose our withdrawal of the Proof of Claim?

Thank you,

Bill

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EXHIBIT 4

John A. Morris

From: John A. Morris
Sent: Wednesday, August 17, 2022 3:30 PM
To: 'Bill Gameros'
Cc: Hayley R. Winograd; Wade Carvell
Subject: FW: Highland: Rule 30(b)(6) Deposition Notice for HCRE and Subpoenas (Withdrawal Motion)
Attachments: HCM 3451--Notice of Subpoena to James Dondero.pdf; HCM 3452--Notice of Subpoena to Matt McGraner.pdf; HCM 3453--Notice of 30b6 Deposition to HCRE Partners.pdf

Bill,

Please let us know if you're authorized to accept service of the subpoenas on behalf of Mr. Dondero and Mr. McGraner.

Given the limited period of time we have, we will begin to attempt personal service if you cannot confirm by noon Central Time tomorrow.

We hope that can be avoided.

Regards,

John

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From: John A. Morris
Sent: Tuesday, August 16, 2022 6:59 PM
To: Bill Gameros <bgameros@legaltexas.com>
Cc: Hayley R. Winograd <hwinograd@pszilaw.com>; Wade Carvell <wcarvell@legaltexas.com>
Subject: Highland: Rule 30(b)(6) Deposition Notice for HCRE and Subpoenas (Withdrawal Motion)

Bill:

Attached are “as filed” copies of a deposition notice for HCRE and subpoenas for Mr. Dondero and Mr. McGraner in connection with the Motion to Withdraw.

I have some flexibility as to dates and times and can’t imagine any deposition lasting more than three hours.

So please confirm you’re authorized to accept service and whether the dates and times work.

Regards,

John

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 FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
 DALLAS DIVISION**

In re:	§	
	§	Chapter 11
HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P., ¹	§	
	§	Case No. 19-34054-sgj11
Reorganized Debtor.	§	
	§	

**HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT L.P.'S
 NOTICE OF SUBPOENA TO JAMES DONDERO**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that, pursuant to Rule 45 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, made applicable herein by Rule 9016 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure, Highland Capital Management, L.P. ("Highland" or the "Reorganized Debtor"), the reorganized

¹ The Reorganized Debtor's last four digits of its taxpayer identification number are (8357). The headquarters and service address for the above-captioned Reorganized Debtor is 100 Crescent Court, Suite 1850, Dallas, TX 75201.

debtor² in the above-captioned chapter 11 case (the “Bankruptcy Case”), by and through its undersigned counsel, shall cause a *Subpoena to Testify at a Deposition in a Bankruptcy Case (or Adversary Proceeding)* (the “Subpoena”), a copy of which is attached hereto as **Exhibit A**, in connection with *NexPoint Real Estate Partners, LLC, f/k/a HCRE Partners, LLC Motion to Withdraw Proof of Claim* [Dkt. No. 3443] (the “Motion to Withdraw”), to be served upon James Dondero for a virtual appearance at a deposition on **August 24, 2022**, commencing at **9:30 a.m. (Central Time)**, or at such other day and time as Highland may agree in writing. The deposition will be taken under oath before a notary public or other person authorized by law to administer oaths and may be visually recorded by video or otherwise. **The deposition will be taken remotely** via an online platform due to the coronavirus pandemic such that no one will need to be in the same location as anyone else in order to participate in the deposition.

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² On February 22, 2021, the Bankruptcy Court entered the *Order (i) Confirming the Fifth Amended Plan of Reorganization (as Modified) and (ii) Granting Related Relief* [Docket No. 1943] (the “Confirmation Order”) which confirmed the *Fifth Amended Plan of Reorganization of Highland Capital Management, L.P.*, as modified (the “Plan”). The Plan went Effective (as defined in the Plan) on August 11, 2021, and Highland is the Reorganized Debtor (as defined in the Plan) since the Effective Date. *See Notice of Occurrence of Effective Date of Confirmed Fifth Amended Plan of Reorganization of Highland Capital Management, L.P.* [Docket No. 2700].

Dated: August 16, 2022.

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EXHIBIT A

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS

In re HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P.

Reorganized Debtor

Case No. 19-34054-sgj11

(Complete if issued in an adversary proceeding)

Chapter 11

Plaintiff

v.

Adv. Proc. No.

Defendant

**SUBPOENA TO TESTIFY AT A DEPOSITION IN A
BANKRUPTCY CASE (OR ADVERSARY PROCEEDING)**

To: James Dondero c/o Hoge & Gameros, L.L.P., 6116 North Central Expressway, Suite 1400, Dallas, TX 75206

(Name of person to whom the subpoena is directed)

☒ **Testimony:** YOU ARE COMMANDED to appear at the time, date, and place set forth below to testify at a deposition to be taken in this bankruptcy case (or adversary proceeding). If you are an organization, you must designate one or more officers, directors, or managing agents, or designate other persons who consent to testify on your behalf about the following matters: *NexPoint Real Estate Partners, LLC, f/k/a HCRE Partners, LLC Motion to Withdraw Proof of Claim [Dkt. No. 3443]*

PLACE

Deposition will be conducted virtually through Zoom

DATE AND TIME

August 24, 2022 at 9:30 a.m. (CT)

The deposition will take place before a court reporter and will be recorded by stenographic means, may be videotaped, and shall continue from day to day until it has been completed.

☐ **Production:** YOU ARE COMMANDED to produce and permit inspection and copying of the following documents or object at the place, date and time specified below:

PLACE:

DATE AND TIME

The following provisions of Fed. R. Civ. P. 45, made applicable in bankruptcy cases by Fed. R. Bankr. P. 9016, are attached – Rule 45(c), relating to the place of compliance; Rule 45(d), relating to your protection as a person subject to a subpoena; and Rule 45(e) and 45(g), relating to your duty to respond to this subpoena and the potential consequences of not doing so.

Date: August 16, 2022

CLERK OF COURT

OR

Signature of Clerk or Deputy Clerk

/s/ John A. Morris

Attorney's signature

John A. Morris, Esq.

The name, address, email address, and telephone number of the attorney representing (name of party) Highland Capital Management, L.P., who issues or requests this subpoena, are:

John A. Morris, Esq., Pachulski Stang Ziehl & Jones LLP, 780 Third Ave., 34th Fl, New York, NY 10017

Notice to the person who issues or requests this subpoena

If this subpoena commands the production of documents, electronically stored information, or tangible things, or the inspection of premises before trial, a notice and a copy of this subpoena must be served on each party before it is served on the person to whom it is directed. Fed. R. Civ. P. 45(a)(4).

PROOF OF SERVICE

(This section should not be filed with the court unless required by Fed. R. Civ. P. 45.)

I received this subpoena for *(name of individual and title, if any)*: _____
on *(date)* _____.

☐ I served the subpoena by delivering a copy to the named person as follows: _____

James Dondero
c/o Hoge & Gameros, L.L.P.
6116 North Central Expressway, Suite 1400
Dallas, TX 75206

_____ on *(date)* _____; or

☐ I returned the subpoena unexecuted because: _____

Unless the subpoena was issued on behalf of the United States, or one of its officers or agents, I have also tendered to the witness the fees for one day's attendance, and the mileage allowed by law, in the amount of \$ _____.

My fees are \$ _____ for travel and \$ _____ for services, for a total of \$ _____.

I declare under penalty of perjury that this information is true and correct.

Date: _____

Server's signature

Printed name and title

Server's address

Additional information concerning attempted service, etc.:

Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 45(c), (d), (e), and (g) (Effective 12/1/13)
(made applicable in bankruptcy cases by Rule 9016, Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure)

(c) Place of compliance.

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- (B) within the state where the person resides, is employed, or regularly transacts business in person, if the person
 - (i) is a party or a party's officer; or
 - (ii) is commanded to attend a trial and would not incur substantial expense.

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(B) Objections. A person commanded to produce documents or tangible things or to permit inspection may serve on the party or attorney designated in the subpoena a written objection to inspecting, copying, testing or sampling any or all of the materials or to inspecting the premises — or to producing electronically stored information in the form or forms requested. The objection must be served before the earlier of the time specified for compliance or 14 days after the subpoena is served. If an objection is made, the following rules apply:

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- (i) disclosing a trade secret or other confidential research, development, or commercial information; or

(ii) disclosing an unretained expert's opinion or information that does not describe specific occurrences in dispute and results from the expert's study that was not requested by a party.

(C) Specifying Conditions as an Alternative. In the circumstances described in Rule 45(d)(3)(B), the court may, instead of quashing or modifying a subpoena, order appearance or production under specified conditions if the serving party:

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(B) Information Produced. If information produced in response to a subpoena is subject to a claim of privilege or of protection as trial-preparation material, the person making the claim may notify any party that received the information of the claim and the basis for it. After being notified, a party must promptly return, sequester, or destroy the specified information and any copies it has; must not use or disclose the information until the claim is resolved; must take reasonable steps to retrieve the information if the party disclosed it before being notified; and may promptly present the information under seal to the court for the district where compliance is required for a determination of the claim. The person who produced the information must preserve the information until the claim is resolved.

(g) Contempt. The court for the district where compliance is required — and also, after a motion is transferred, the issuing court — may hold in contempt a person who, having been served, fails without adequate excuse to obey the subpoena or an order related to it.

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**IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
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DALLAS DIVISION**

In re:	§	
	§	Chapter 11
HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P., ¹	§	
	§	Case No. 19-34054-sgj11
Reorganized Debtor.	§	
	§	

**HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT L.P.'S
NOTICE OF SUBPOENA TO MATT MCGRANER**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that, pursuant to Rule 45 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, made applicable herein by Rule 9016 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure, Highland Capital Management, L.P. ("Highland" or the "Reorganized Debtor"), the reorganized

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debtor² in the above-captioned chapter 11 case (the “Bankruptcy Case”), by and through its undersigned counsel, shall cause a *Subpoena to Testify at a Deposition in a Bankruptcy Case (or Adversary Proceeding)* (the “Subpoena”), a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A, in connection with *NexPoint Real Estate Partners, LLC, f/k/a HCRE Partners, LLC Motion to Withdraw Proof of Claim* [Dkt. No. 3443] (the “Motion to Withdraw”), to be served upon Matt McGraner for a virtual appearance at a deposition on **August 25, 2022**, commencing at **9:30 a.m. (Central Time)**, or at such other day and time as Highland may agree in writing. The deposition will be taken under oath before a notary public or other person authorized by law to administer oaths and may be visually recorded by video or otherwise. **The deposition will be taken remotely** via an online platform due to the coronavirus pandemic such that no one will need to be in the same location as anyone else in order to participate in the deposition.

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² On February 22, 2021, the Bankruptcy Court entered the *Order (i) Confirming the Fifth Amended Plan of Reorganization (as Modified) and (ii) Granting Related Relief* [Docket No. 1943] (the “Confirmation Order”) which confirmed the *Fifth Amended Plan of Reorganization of Highland Capital Management, L.P.*, as modified (the “Plan”). The Plan went Effective (as defined in the Plan) on August 11, 2021, and Highland is the Reorganized Debtor (as defined in the Plan) since the Effective Date. *See Notice of Occurrence of Effective Date of Confirmed Fifth Amended Plan of Reorganization of Highland Capital Management, L.P.* [Docket No. 2700].

Dated: August 16, 2022.

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EXHIBIT A

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NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS

In re HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P.

Reorganized Debtor

(Complete if issued in an adversary proceeding)

Case No. 19-34054-sgj11

Chapter 11

Plaintiff

v.

Adv. Proc. No.

Defendant

**SUBPOENA TO TESTIFY AT A DEPOSITION IN A
BANKRUPTCY CASE (OR ADVERSARY PROCEEDING)**

To: Matt McGraner c/o Hoge & Gameros, L.L.P., 6116 North Central Expressway, Suite 1400, Dallas, TX 75206
(Name of person to whom the subpoena is directed)

☒ **Testimony: YOU ARE COMMANDED** to appear at the time, date, and place set forth below to testify at a deposition to be taken in this bankruptcy case (or adversary proceeding). If you are an organization, you must designate one or more officers, directors, or managing agents, or designate other persons who consent to testify on your behalf about the following matters: *NexPoint Real Estate Partners, LLC, f/k/a HCRE Partners, LLC Motion to Withdraw Proof of Claim* [Docket No. 3443]

PLACE

Deposition will be conducted virtually through Zoom

DATE AND TIME

August 25, 2022 at 9:30 a.m. (CT)

The deposition will take place before a court reporter and will be recorded by stenographic means, may be videotaped, and shall continue from day to day until it has been completed.

☐ **Production: YOU ARE COMMANDED** to produce and permit inspection and copying of the following documents or object at the place, date and time specified below:

PLACE:

DATE AND TIME

The following provisions of Fed. R. Civ. P. 45, made applicable in bankruptcy cases by Fed. R. Bankr. P. 9016, are attached – Rule 45(c), relating to the place of compliance; Rule 45(d), relating to your protection as a person subject to a subpoena; and Rule 45(e) and 45(g), relating to your duty to respond to this subpoena and the potential consequences of not doing so.

Date: August 16, 2022

CLERK OF COURT

OR

Signature of Clerk or Deputy Clerk

/s/ John A. Morris

Attorney's signature

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	§	Chapter 11
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	§	Case No. 19-34054-sgj11
Reorganized Debtor.	§	
	§	

**HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P.'S
NOTICE OF RULE 30(b)(6) DEPOSITION TO
NEXPOINT REAL ESTATE PARTNERS, LLC, f/k/a HCRE PARTNERS, LLC**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that, pursuant to Rule 30(b)(6) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, made applicable herein pursuant to Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure 7030 and 9014, Highland Capital Management, L.P. ("Highland" or the "Reorganized Debtor"), the

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reorganized debtor in the above-captioned chapter 11 case (the “Bankruptcy Case”), shall take the deposition of NexPoint Real Estate Partners, LLC, f/k/a HCRE Partners, LLC (“HCRE”) by the person(s) most qualified to testify on HCRE’s behalf with respect to the topics described in Exhibit A attached hereto in connection with *NexPoint Real Estate Partners, LLC, f/k/a HCRE Partners, LLC Motion to Withdraw Proof of Claim* [Docket No. 3443] (the “Motion to Withdraw”). The deposition of HCRE shall take place on **August 25, 2022**, commencing at **9:30 a.m. (Central Time)** or at such other day and time as Highland may agree in writing. The deposition will be taken under oath before a notary public or other person authorized by law to administer oaths and will be visually recorded by video or otherwise.

The deposition will be taken remotely via an online platform due to the coronavirus pandemic such that no one will need to be in the same location as anyone else in order to participate in the deposition and by use of Interactive Realtime.

Dated: August 16, 2022.

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EXHIBIT A

DEFINITIONS

1. “HCRE” means (a) NexPoint Real Estate Partners, LLC, f/k/a HCRE Partners, LLC, and (b) all directors, officers, employees, and agents of NexPoint Real Estate Partners, LLC, f/k/a HCRE Partners, LLC, or any other person or entity acting on its behalf.
2. “HCRE Claim” means the general unsecured, non-priority, unliquidated claim that was filed by HCRE on April 8, 2020, and that was denoted as proof of claim number 146 on the Reorganized Debtor’s claims register.
3. “Motion to Withdraw” means *NexPoint Real Estate Partners, LLC, f/k/a HCRE Partners, LLC Motion to Withdraw Proof of Claim* [Docket No. 3443], filed on August 12, 2022.
4. “You” or “Your” refers to HCRE, and any person or entity authorized to act on behalf of HCRE.

Rule 30(b)(6) Topics

Topic No. 1:

The Motion to Withdraw, including but not limited to: (a) the facts and circumstances that led to the filing of the Motion to Withdraw, (b) the reason(s) for filing the Motion to Withdraw at this time, and (c) all facts concerning the impact on the parties from the withdrawal of the HCRE Claim.

EXHIBIT 5

John A. Morris

From: John A. Morris
Sent: Wednesday, July 27, 2022 12:52 PM
To: 'Bill Gameros'
Cc: Hayley R. Winograd; Wade Carvell
Subject: Highland: Amended Subpoenas and Deposition Notices
Attachments: HCM 3415--Notice of Amended Subpoena to James Dondero.pdf; HCM 3416--Notice of Amended Subpoena to Matt McGraner.pdf; HCM 3417--Notice of Amended Subpoena to Barker Viggato LLP.pdf; HCM 3418--Second Amended Notice of Rule 30b6 Deposition of HCRE.pdf

Bill:

Please see the attached.

Regards,

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debtor² in the above-captioned chapter 11 case (the “Bankruptcy Case”), by and through its undersigned counsel, will cause the *Amended Subpoena to Testify at a Deposition in a Bankruptcy Case (or Adversary Proceeding)* (the “Subpoena”), a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A, in connection with the proof of claim filed by HCRE [*i.e.*, Claim No. 146] (the “HCRE Claim”) and any objections thereto, to be served upon James Dondero for a virtual appearance at a deposition on **August 16, 2022, at 9:30 a.m. Central Time**, or at such other day and time as Highland may agree in writing. The deposition will be taken under oath before a notary public or other person authorized by law to administer oaths and may be visually recorded by video or otherwise. **The deposition will be taken remotely** via an online platform due to the coronavirus pandemic such that no one will need to be in the same location as anyone else in order to participate in the deposition. Parties who wish to participate in the deposition should contact John A. Morris, Pachulski Stang Ziehl & Jones LLP, at jmorris@pszjlaw.com no fewer than 72 hours before the start of the deposition for more information regarding participating in this deposition remotely.

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Dated: July 27, 2022.

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EXHIBIT A

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS

In re HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P.

Reorganized Debtor

(Complete if issued in an adversary proceeding)

Case No. 19-34054-sgj11

Chapter 11

Plaintiff

v.

Adv. Proc. No.

Defendant

**AMENDED SUBPOENA TO TESTIFY AT A DEPOSITION IN A
BANKRUPTCY CASE (OR ADVERSARY PROCEEDING)**

To: James Dondero

(Name of person to whom the subpoena is directed)

☒ **Testimony:** YOU ARE COMMANDED to appear at the time, date, and place set forth below to testify at a deposition to be taken in this bankruptcy case (or adversary proceeding). If you are an organization, you must designate one or more officers, directors, or managing agents, or designate other persons who consent to testify on your behalf about the following matters:

PLACE

Deposition will be conducted virtually through Zoom

DATE AND TIME

August 16, 2022 at 9:30 am (CT)

The deposition will take place before a court reporter and will be recorded by stenographic means, may be videotaped, and shall continue from day to day until it has been completed.

☐ **Production:** YOU ARE COMMANDED to produce and permit inspection and copying of the following documents or object at the place, date and time specified below:

PLACE:

DATE AND TIME

The following provisions of Fed. R. Civ. P. 45, made applicable in bankruptcy cases by Fed. R. Bankr. P. 9016, are attached – Rule 45(c), relating to the place of compliance; Rule 45(d), relating to your protection as a person subject to a subpoena; and Rule 45(e) and 45(g), relating to your duty to respond to this subpoena and the potential consequences of not doing so.

Date: July 27, 2022

CLERK OF COURT

OR

Signature of Clerk or Deputy Clerk

/s/ John A. Morris

Attorney's signature

John A. Morris, Esq.

The name, address, email address, and telephone number of the attorney representing (name of party)
Highland Capital Management, L.P., who issues or requests this subpoena, are:

John A. Morris, Esq., Pachulski Stang Ziehl & Jones LLP, 780 Third Ave., 34th Fl, New York, NY 10017

Notice to the person who issues or requests this subpoena

If this subpoena commands the production of documents, electronically stored information, or tangible things, or the inspection of premises before trial, a notice and a copy of this subpoena must be served on each party before it is served on the person to whom it is directed. Fed. R. Civ. P. 45(a)(4).

PROOF OF SERVICE

(This section should not be filed with the court unless required by Fed. R. Civ. P. 45.)

I received this subpoena for (name of individual and title, if any): _____
on (date) _____.

☐ I served the subpoena by delivering a copy to the named person as follows: _____

James Dondero

_____ on (date) _____; or

☐ I returned the subpoena unexecuted because: _____

Unless the subpoena was issued on behalf of the United States, or one of its officers or agents, I have also tendered to the witness the fees for one day's attendance, and the mileage allowed by law, in the amount of \$ _____.

My fees are \$ _____ for travel and \$ _____ for services, for a total of \$ _____.

I declare under penalty of perjury that this information is true and correct.

Date: _____

Server's signature

Printed name and title

Server's address

Additional information concerning attempted service, etc.:

Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 45(c), (d), (e), and (g) (Effective 12/1/13)
(made applicable in bankruptcy cases by Rule 9016, Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure)

(c) Place of compliance.

(1) For a Trial, Hearing, or Deposition. A subpoena may command a person to attend a trial, hearing, or deposition only as follows:

- (A) within 100 miles of where the person resides, is employed, or regularly transacts business in person; or
- (B) within the state where the person resides, is employed, or regularly transacts business in person, if the person
 - (i) is a party or a party's officer; or
 - (ii) is commanded to attend a trial and would not incur substantial expense.

(2) For Other Discovery. A subpoena may command:

- (A) production of documents, or electronically stored information, or things at a place within 100 miles of where the person resides, is employed, or regularly transacts business in person; and
- (B) inspection of premises, at the premises to be inspected.

(d) Protecting a Person Subject to a Subpoena; Enforcement.

(1) Avoiding Undue Burden or Expense; Sanctions. A party or attorney responsible for issuing and serving a subpoena must take reasonable steps to avoid imposing undue burden or expense on a person subject to the subpoena. The court for the district where compliance is required must enforce this duty and impose an appropriate sanction — which may include lost earnings and reasonable attorney's fees — on a party or attorney who fails to comply.

(2) Command to Produce Materials or Permit Inspection.

(A) Appearance Not Required. A person commanded to produce documents, electronically stored information, or tangible things, or to permit the inspection of premises, need not appear in person at the place of production or inspection unless also commanded to appear for a deposition, hearing, or trial.

(B) Objections. A person commanded to produce documents or tangible things or to permit inspection may serve on the party or attorney designated in the subpoena a written objection to inspecting, copying, testing or sampling any or all of the materials or to inspecting the premises — or to producing electronically stored information in the form or forms requested. The objection must be served before the earlier of the time specified for compliance or 14 days after the subpoena is served. If an objection is made, the following rules apply:

- (i) At any time, on notice to the commanded person, the serving party may move the court for the district where compliance is required for an order compelling production or inspection.
- (ii) These acts may be required only as directed in the order, and the order must protect a person who is neither a party nor a party's officer from significant expense resulting from compliance.

(3) Quashing or Modifying a Subpoena.

(A) When Required. On timely motion, the court for the district where compliance is required must quash or modify a subpoena that:

- (i) fails to allow a reasonable time to comply;
- (ii) requires a person to comply beyond the geographical limits specified in Rule 45(c);
- (iii) requires disclosure of privileged or other protected matter, if no exception or waiver applies; or
- (iv) subjects a person to undue burden.

(B) When Permitted. To protect a person subject to or affected by a subpoena, the court for the district where compliance is required may, on motion, quash or modify the subpoena if it requires:

- (i) disclosing a trade secret or other confidential research, development, or commercial information; or

(ii) disclosing an unretained expert's opinion or information that does not describe specific occurrences in dispute and results from the expert's study that was not requested by a party.

(C) Specifying Conditions as an Alternative. In the circumstances described in Rule 45(d)(3)(B), the court may, instead of quashing or modifying a subpoena, order appearance or production under specified conditions if the serving party:

- (i) shows a substantial need for the testimony or material that cannot be otherwise met without undue hardship; and
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(e) Duties in Responding to a Subpoena.

(1) Producing Documents or Electronically Stored Information. These procedures apply to producing documents or electronically stored information:

(A) Documents. A person responding to a subpoena to produce documents must produce them as they are kept in the ordinary course of business or must organize and label them to correspond to the categories in the demand.

(B) Form for Producing Electronically Stored Information Not Specified. If a subpoena does not specify a form for producing electronically stored information, the person responding must produce it in a form or forms in which it is ordinarily maintained or in a reasonably usable form or forms.

(C) Electronically Stored Information Produced in Only One Form. The person responding need not produce the same electronically stored information in more than one form.

(D) Inaccessible Electronically Stored Information. The person responding need not provide discovery of electronically stored information from sources that the person identifies as not reasonably accessible because of undue burden or cost. On motion to compel discovery or for a protective order, the person responding must show that the information is not reasonably accessible because of undue burden or cost. If that showing is made, the court may nonetheless order discovery from such sources if the requesting party shows good cause, considering the limitations of Rule 26(b)(2)(C). The court may specify conditions for the discovery.

(2) Claiming Privilege or Protection.

(A) Information Withheld. A person withholding subpoenaed information under a claim that it is privileged or subject to protection as trial-preparation material must:

- (i) expressly make the claim; and
- (ii) describe the nature of the withheld documents, communications, or tangible things in a manner that, without revealing information itself privileged or protected, will enable the parties to assess the claim.

(B) Information Produced. If information produced in response to a subpoena is subject to a claim of privilege or of protection as trial-preparation material, the person making the claim may notify any party that received the information of the claim and the basis for it. After being notified, a party must promptly return, sequester, or destroy the specified information and any copies it has; must not use or disclose the information until the claim is resolved; must take reasonable steps to retrieve the information if the party disclosed it before being notified; and may promptly present the information under seal to the court for the district where compliance is required for a determination of the claim. The person who produced the information must preserve the information until the claim is resolved.

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(g) Contempt. The court for the district where compliance is required — and also, after a motion is transferred, the issuing court — may hold in contempt a person who, having been served, fails without adequate excuse to obey the subpoena or an order related to it.

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**IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
 FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
 DALLAS DIVISION**

In re:

HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P.,¹

Reorganized Debtor.

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 § Case No. 19-34054-sgj11
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**HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT L.P.'S
 NOTICE OF AMENDED SUBPOENA TO MATT MCGRANER**

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Date: July 27, 2022

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Signature of Clerk or Deputy Clerk

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Attorney's signature

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Printed name and title

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In re:	§	
	§	Chapter 11
HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P., ¹	§	
	§	Case No. 19-34054-sgj11
Reorganized Debtor.	§	
	§	

**HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P.'S SECOND AMENDED
NOTICE OF RULE 30(b)(6) DEPOSITION TO HCRE PARTNERS, LLC**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that, pursuant to Rule 30(b)(6) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, made applicable herein pursuant to Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure 7030 and 9014, Highland Capital Management, L.P. ("Highland" or the "Reorganized Debtor"), the

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reorganized debtor in the above-captioned chapter 11 case (the “Bankruptcy Case”), shall take the deposition of NexPoint Real Estate Partners, LLC f/k/a HCRE Partners, LLC (“HCRE”) by the person(s) most qualified to testify on HCRE’s behalf with respect to the topics described in Exhibit A attached hereto in connection with the proof of claim filed by HCRE [*i.e.*, Claim No. 146] (the “HCRE Claim”) and any objections thereto. The deposition of HCRE shall take place on **August 17, 2022, at 9:30 a.m. Central Time**, or at such other day and time as Highland may agree in writing. The deposition will be taken under oath before a notary public or other person authorized by law to administer oaths and will be visually recorded by video or otherwise.

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Dated: July 27, 2022.

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EXHIBIT A

DEFINITIONS

1. “Amended LLC Agreement” means the *First Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Agreement for SE Multifamily Holdings LLC*, dated as of March 15, 2019, effective as of August 23, 2018, among Highland, HCRE, and BH Equities with respect to SE Multifamily.
2. “Barker Viggato” means Barker Viggato LLP.
3. “BH Equities” means BH Equities, LLC, and all persons You believe acted on behalf of BH Equities.
4. “Borrowers” refers to the entities individually and collectively, jointly and severally, Highland, HCRE, The Dugaboy Investment Trust, The SLHC Trust, NexPoint Advisors, L.P., NexPoint Real Estate Advisors IV, L.P., SE Multifamily Reit Holdings, LLC, and certain property owners, as defined on page 3 of the Loan Agreement.
5. “Communications” means the transmittal of information (in the form of facts, ideas, inquiries, or otherwise) and includes all oral and written communications of any nature, type or kind including, but not limited to, any ESI (and any attachments thereto), Documents, telephone conversations, text messages, discussions, meetings, facsimiles, e-mails, pagers, memoranda, and any other medium through which any information is conveyed or transmitted.
6. “Concerning” means and includes relating to, constituting, defining, evidencing, mentioning, containing, describing, discussing, embodying, reflecting, edifying, analyzing, stating, referring to, dealing with, or in any way pertaining to the subject matter.
7. “Discovery Requests” means *Highland Capital Management, L.P.’s Second Set of Discovery Requests Directed to HCRE Partners, LLC*.

8. “Document” means and includes all written, recorded, transcribed or graphic matter of every nature, type and kind, however and by whoever produced, reproduced, disseminated or made. This includes, but is not limited to, Communications, ESI, “writings” as defined by Rule 1001 of the Federal Rules of Evidence, copies or drafts, and any tangible or intangible thing or item that contains any information. Any Document that contains any comment, notation, addition, insertion or marking of any type or kind which is not part of another Document, is to be considered a separate Document.

9. “ESI” has the meaning ascribed to it in Federal Rules of Civil Procedure 16, 26, and 34(a).

10. “Exhibit A” means Exhibit A to the HCRE Claim.

11. “HCRE” means (a) NexPoint Real Estate Partners, LLC, f/k/a HCRE Partners, LLC, and (b) all directors, officers, employees, and agents of NexPoint Real Estate Partners, LLC, f/k/a HCRE Partners, LLC, or any other person or entity acting on its behalf.

12. “HCRE Claim” means the general unsecured, non-priority, unliquidated claim that was filed by HCRE Partners, LLC on April 8, 2020, and that was denoted as proof of claim number 146 on the Reorganized Debtor’s claims register.

13. “Keybank” means Keybank National Association.

14. “Keybank Loan” means any loan obtained pursuant to the Loan Agreement.

15. “Liberty” means Liberty CLO Holdco, Ltd., and all persons You believe acted on behalf of Liberty.

16. “LLC Agreement” means that certain *Limited Liability Company Agreement*, dated as of August 23, 2018, between Highland and HCRE with respect to SE Multifamily.

17. “Loan Agreement” means that certain *Bridge Loan Agreement*, dated as of September 26, 2018, between the borrowers (including Highland and HCRE) and lenders thereto and Keybank, as the Administrative Agent.

18. “Members” shall have the meaning ascribed to that term on page 2 of the Amended LLC Agreement.

19. “Petition Date” means October 16, 2019, the date Highland filed for bankruptcy relief in the Bankruptcy Case.

20. “Response” means *NexPoint Real Estate Partners LLC’s Response to Debtor’s First Omnibus Objection to Certain (A) Duplicate Claims; (B) Overstated Claims; (C) Late-Filed Claims; (D) Satisfied Claims; (E) No-Liability Claims and (F) Insufficient-Documentation Claims* [Docket No. 1212], filed on October 19, 2020.

21. “Schedule A” means the document attached to the Amended LLC Agreement as “Schedule A.”

22. “SE Multifamily” means SE Multifamily Holdings, LLC.

23. “You” or “Your” refers to HCRE, and any person or entity authorized to act on behalf of HCRE.

Rule 30(b)(6) Topics

Topic No. 1:

The negotiation, drafting, and execution of the LLC Agreement, including (a) the identities of the individuals authorized to act on behalf HCRE and Highland, respectively; (b) the identities of any attorneys who provided legal advice to HCRE and Highland, respectively; and (c) the reasons or purpose of including Highland in the LLC Agreement.

Topic No. 2:

The negotiation, drafting, and execution of the Loan Agreement, including (a) the identities of the individuals authorized to act on behalf of HCRE and Highland, respectively; (b) the identities of any attorneys who provided legal advice to HCRE and Highland, respectively; (c) the reasons or purpose of including Highland in the Loan Agreement; (d) the decision to have HCRE act as the “lead borrower”; and (e) the allocation of the loan proceeds among the Borrowers under the Keybank Loan and all decisions and Communications related thereto.

Topic No. 3:

The removal of Highland as a Borrower under the Keybank Loan prior to the Petition Date.

Topic No. 4:

The negotiation, drafting, and execution of the Amended LLC Agreement, including (a) the identities of the individuals authorized to act on behalf of HCRE, Highland, BH Equities, and Liberty, respectively; and (b) the identities of any attorneys who provided legal advice to HCRE, Highland, BH Equities, and Liberty, respectively.

Topic No. 5:

All facts Concerning HCRE’s belief that “the organizational documents relating to SE Multifamily Holdings LLC (the “SE Multifamily Agreement”) improperly allocates the

ownership percentages of the members thereto due to mutual mistake, lack of consideration, and/or failure of consideration,” as alleged in paragraph 5 of the Response.

Topic No. 6:

All distributions made by SE Multifamily to any Member at any time.

Topic No. 7:

The allocation of SE Multifamily’s profits and losses among its Members.

Topic No. 8:

Communications Concerning any allegation or assertion that there was any error in the Amended LLC Agreement, including Communications between HCRE and either (a) Highland, and/or (b) BH Equities, and/or (c) Barker Viggato Concerning this topic.

Topic No. 9:

Communications Concerning any allegation or assertion that the Amended LLC Agreement, including Schedule A annexed thereto, did not accurately describe the respective interests of each Member of SE Multifamily, including Communications between HCRE and either (a) Highland, and/or (b) BH Equities, and/or (c) Barker Viggato Concerning this topic.

Topic No. 10:

Communications Concerning the allocation of the interests in SE Multifamily among its Members, including Communications between HCRE and either (a) Highland, and/or (b) BH Equities, and/or (c) Barker Viggato Concerning this topic.

Topic No. 11:

All tax filings Concerning SE Multifamily, including all draft and actually-filed tax returns and K-1s Concerning SE Multifamily and any Communications with Barker Vittago Concerning this topic.

Topic No. 12:

Your sources of capital used to make the capital contribution reflected on Schedule A.

Topic No. 13:

Your responses to the Discovery Requests.

Topic No. 14:

The identity of each (i) direct and indirect beneficial owner, and (ii) person authorized to act on behalf of, HCRE as of the date (a) the LLC Agreement was executed, (b) the Amended LLC Agreement was executed, and (c) Highland was removed as a Borrower under the Keybank Loan.

Topic No. 15:

The identity of each (i) direct and indirect beneficial owner, and (ii) person authorized to act on behalf of, Highland as of the date (a) the LLC Agreement was executed, (b) the Amended LLC Agreement was executed, and (c) Highland was removed as a Borrower under the Keybank Loan.

Topic No. 16:

The identity of each (i) direct and indirect beneficial owner, and (ii) person authorized to act on behalf of, each Borrower under the Keybank Loan as of the date (a) the LLC Agreement was executed, (b) the Amended LLC Agreement was executed, and (c) Highland was removed as a Borrower under the Keybank Loan.

Topic No. 17:

The identity of each officer, employee, and person authorized to act on behalf of HCRE as of the date (a) the LLC Agreement was executed, (b) the Amended LLC Agreement was executed, and (c) Highland was removed as a Borrower under the Keybank Loan.

EXHIBIT 6

John A. Morris

From: John A. Morris
Sent: Wednesday, July 27, 2022 7:39 AM
To: 'Bill Gameros'; Hayley R. Winograd
Cc: LuCretia Milam; Wade Carvell
Subject: RE: HCMLP - NREP Depositions

Bill,

Now that we have fixed the deposition dates (subject only to HCRE's completion of document production reasonably in advance), can please withdraw the motion for a Protective Order so we don't have to respond and the Court does not have to consider it?

Thanks,

John

From: Bill Gameros [mailto:bgameros@legaltexas.com]
Sent: Tuesday, July 26, 2022 3:34 PM
To: John A. Morris <jmorris@pszjlaw.com>; Hayley R. Winograd <hwinograd@pszjlaw.com>
Cc: LuCretia Milam <lmilam@legaltexas.com>; Wade Carvell <wcarvell@legaltexas.com>; Bill Gameros <bgameros@legaltexas.com>
Subject: RE: HCMLP - NREP Depositions

John,

Our document production is hampered by our IT person having COVID. Dallas is "Red" according to the CDC so I do not have a definitive date as I write this.

The consent, with a minor change, is out for signature.

Thank you,

Bill

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Thank you, Bill.

Those dates and times are fine.

When will your client complete its document production?

And will they sign the acknowledgement form requested by Barker Vittagio so we can avoid motion practice?

Please let me know.

From: Bill Gameros [<mailto:bgameros@legaltexas.com>]
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Subject: HCMLP - NREP Depositions

John,

We have Mr. Dondero on August 16 starting at 9:30 CT and, consistent with our discussions, Mr. McGranger, individually and as 30(b)(6), on August 17 starting at 9:30 CT.

Thank you,

Bill

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